City Council Minutes Tuesday, May 12, 2020

On the 12th day of May 2020, at 6:30 p.m., the City Council of the City of Hurst, Texas, convened in Regular Meeting at City Hall, 1505 Precinct Line Road, Hurst, Texas, by telephone conference to advance the public health goal of limiting face-to-face meetings to slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) with the following members present:

Henry Wilson)	Mayor
Larry Kitchens)	Mayor Pro Tem
David Booe)	Councilmembers
Cathy Thompson)	
Bill McLendon)	
Jon McKenzie)	•
Cindy Shepard)	
Clay Caruthers)	City Manager
Matthew Boyle)	Assistant City Attorney
Rita Frick)	City Secretary
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Sunny Patel)	Director of Information Technology
Clayton Fulton))	Director of Information Technology Assistant City Manager
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With the following Councilmembers absent: none, constituting a quorum; at which time, the following business was transacted:

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Councilmember Jon McKenzie gave the Invocation.

Mayor Wilson noted the telephonic meeting due to the COVID-19 pandemic and suspended the Pledge of Allegiance for the meeting. Mayor Wilson provided rules of procedure for the telephone conference meeting.

ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM

1. Consider Election of Mayor Pro Tem

Mayor Wilson noted the rotation policy for the Mayor Pro Tem position each year. Mayor Pro Tem Kitchens stated that it was his privilege to serve this past year and he believes Councilmember McKenzie is next to serve.

Councilmember Kitchens moved to nominate Jon McKenzie for Mayor Pro Tem. Motion seconded by Councilmember Shepard. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Booe, Kitchens, Thompson, McLendon, McKenzie and Shepard

No: None

CONSENT AGENDA

2. Consider approval of the minutes for the April 28, 2020 City Council meetings

3. Consider Ordinance 2436, second reading, for SP-19-13 (Urban Infraconstruction), a site plan for Lot 1, Block 1, Central Park Northeast Addition, being 5.05 acres located at 110 Central Park Drive

Councilmember McKenzie moved to approve the consent agenda. Motion seconded by Councilmember Kitchens. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Booe, Kitchens, Thompson, McLendon, McKenzie and Shepard

No: None

RESOLUTION(S)

4. Consider Resolution 1770 supporting the Application for COVID-19 Assistance Grant to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division (CJD)

City Manager Clay Caruthers stated this item is to request \$13,318 to purchase equipment to assist the police department with personal protective equipment (PPE) from the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division. In response to Councilmember questions, Mr. Caruthers stated the City has spent approximately \$40,000 to date on PPE and that much of the safety equipment such as gloves, is standard protocol for EMTs and is in the budget. He explained part of the issue is with the funding mechanisms and the biggest problem, financially, is revenue loss. He stated the good news is there may be some reimbursements. Fire Chief David Palla noted the department had some reserve stock left over from Ebola, which was used when stock supplies were harder to get. He stated they have been able to start acquiring supplies and noted the fire department is utilizing a different type of respiratory system that is reusable.

Councilmember Thompson moved to adopt Resolution 1770 supporting the application for COVID-19 Assistance Grant from the Office of the Governor. Motion seconded by Councilmember McLendon. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Booe, Kitchens, Thompson, McLendon, McKenzie and Shepard

No: None

OTHER BUSINESS

- 5. Review of upcoming calendar items No calendar items were reported.
- 6. City Council Reports Items of Community Interest Mayor Wilson noted a conference call with Senator Cornyn and he indicated upcoming legislation could possibly address revenue loss.

PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD – A REQUEST TO APPEAR CARD MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE CITY SECRETARY TO BE RECOGNIZED. No one spoke.

Mayor Wilson did not recess to Executive Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION in Compliance with the Provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Law, authorized by Government Code, Section 551.071, Consultation with City Attorney to seek advice regarding Pending or Contemplated Litigation or Settlement Offers (Dakota Place Apartments) and to reconvene in Open Session at the conclusion of the Executive Session

7. Take any and all action ensuing from Executive Session. No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

APPROVED this the 26th day of May 2020.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Rita Frick, City Secretary

Henry Wilson, Mayor